

STAFFORD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Agenda Consideration

TOPIC: Proposed Policy 7-51.3 **ITEM NO:** 80
PREPARED BY: Jean S. Murray, Superintendent **MEETING:** August 24, 2004
Daryl A. Nelson, *DAN* **ACTION DATE:** August 24, 2004
Executive Director of Administrative & Legal Services

ACTION REQUESTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT:

That the School Board adopt the attached proposed Policy 7-51.3, Scoliosis Screening.

KEY POINTS:

The attached proposed Policy 7-51.3, Scoliosis Screening, is intended to address a recently added requirement of the Virginia Code that school divisions either provide information to parents concerning scoliosis or, in the alternative, that the division implement a scoliosis screening program. Stafford County Public Schools will conduct scoliosis screening through the school nurse. This year's Code of Conduct provides information to the parent and a form for the parent to return if it is preferred that the child's own physician undertake the screening.

SCHOOL BOARD GOAL: (Goal 3) Encourage parents and the community to increase their interest and involvement in schools.

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A

AUTHORIZATION REFERENCE: Bylaw 1-32, Policy Adoption, Amendment and Suspension

STUDENTS**Scoliosis Screening**

The Stafford County Public Schools shall, in compliance with Virginia Code §22.1-273.1, provide parent educational information or implement a program of regular screenings for scoliosis for students in grades five through ten unless such students are pupils admitted for the first time to a public school who have been so tested as part of the comprehensive physical examination required pursuant to Virginia Code §22.1-270 or the parents of such students have indicated their preference that their children not participate in such screening.

Legal Reference: Through June 30, 2004

Virginia Code §22.1-273.1. Annual Screening for scoliosis (2003)